Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

A vibration type driving apparatus, which is capable of increase of output torque and rotational speed without increasing the size of a vibration body, is described. The apparatus comprises a vibration body which generates vibration by supplying a driving signal to an electro-mechanical energy converting element and a contact body which contacts this vibration body and is driven moved by vibration received from the vibration body. The vibration body comprises a base portion having the electro-mechanical energy converting element and a plurality of vibration amplification portions for amplifying vibration generated at this base portion. Neighboring vibration amplification portions of the The plurality of vibration amplification portions are connected between neighboring vibration amplification portions in the driving direction of the contact body at a position different from a connecting position of each vibration amplification portion with the base portion.